## APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR THE DETACHMENT OF A TUBE BLANK FROM A SUPPORT MANDREL

5 ABSTRACT

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A method and an apparatus for the detachment of a tube blank from a support mandrel. The method and the apparatus are suitable in particular for the detachment of a tubular air-spring blank from a support mandrel. The method includes inserting a device at one end of the support mandrel and introducing a medium between the blank and the support mandrel by the device. The apparatus includes a device for introducing a medium at one end of the support mandrel, a feeding element for introducing the medium between the blank and the support mandrel and a sleeve provided about the support mandrel and the blank.